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BILL NO. _____

COUNTY COUNCIL
OF
HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 88-46

Introduced by Council Member Parrott

Legislative Day No. 88-20 Date June 21, 1988

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Article III, Executive Branch, of the Harford County Charter, as amended, by repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Section 302, Executive Powers and Duties, and Section 306, Compensation of the County Executive; to prohibit the County Executive from participating in any private occupation for compensation; to increase the minimum yearly compensation paid to the County Executive; to provide that the provisions of this Act do not apply to any person elected to the office of County Executive before the effective date of this Act; and to require the submission of this amendment to the legally qualified voters of Harford County for their adoption or rejection, in accordance with Section 905 of the Harford County Charter.

By the Council, June 21, 1988

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: July 19, 1988

at: 7:00 P.M.

By Order: Doris Poulsen, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held

on July 19, 1988

and concluded on July 19, 1988

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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1 Section 1. Be It Enacted By The County Council of Harford County,
2 Maryland, that Section 302, Executive Powers and Duties, and
3 Section 306, Compensation of the County Executive, of Article III,
4 Executive Branch, of the Harford County Charter, as amended, be,
5 and they are hereby, repealed and reenacted with amendments, all
6 to read as follows:

7 Article III. Executive Branch.

8 Section 302. Executive Powers and Duties. All executive power
9 vested in Harford County by the Constitution and laws of Maryland
10 and this Charter shall be vested in the County Executive, who
11 shall be the chief executive officer of the County, and who shall
12 faithfully execute the laws. The County Executive shall devote
13 full time to the duties of the office AND SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN
14 ANY PRIVATE OCCUPATION FOR COMPENSATION. The duties and
15 responsibilities of the County Executive shall include, but not be
16 limited to: (1) preparing and submitting to the Council the
17 annual County budget in the manner and form provided in Article V
18 of this Charter; (2) preparing and submitting to the Council and
19 the public, within four months after the close of the fiscal year,
20 an annual report on the activities and accomplishments of the
21 County government, including a detailed financial statement; (3)
22 providing the Council with any information concerning the
23 Executive Branch which the Council may require for the exercise of
24 its powers; (4) recommending to the Council such measures for
25 legislative action as may be deemed to be in the best interests of
26 the County; (5) insuring that County funds in excess of those
27 required for immediate needs are invested in the best interests of
28 the County; (6) signing or causing to be signed on the County's
29 behalf all deeds, contracts, and other instruments; and (7) seeing
30 that the affairs of the Executive Branch are properly and
31 efficiently administered, and that employees of the Executive
32 Branch faithfully perform their duties.

1 Section 306. Compensation of the County Executive. The
 2 County Executive shall receive compensation of not less than
 3 [twenty-seven thousand five hundred] SIXTY- FIVE THOUSAND dollars
 4 per annum. Compensation may be changed by law passed by an
 5 affirmative vote of at least five members of the Council. Any
 6 increase or decrease in compensation which becomes law during one
 7 term of office shall not become effective before the next term.

8 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted, that before this Act
 9 becomes effective, it shall be submitted to a Referendum of the
 10 legally qualified voters of Harford County in accordance with
 11 Section 905 of the Charter of Harford County, Maryland, at the
 12 General Election to be held in November 1988. There shall be
 13 printed on the ballots or ballot labels used at this election the
 14 title of this Act, and underneath the title, on separate lines, a
 15 square or box to the right of and opposite the words, "For ____,"
 16 and a corresponding square or box to the right of and opposite the
 17 words, "Against ____," so that each voter may vote for or against
 18 the provisions of this Act. If a majority of the votes cast in
 19 the election are "For ____," the provisions of this Act shall
 20 become effective from and after the thirtieth (30th) day following
 21 the election, but if a majority of the votes cast in the election
 22 are "Against ____," the provisions of this Act shall be of no
 23 effect and null and void.

24 Section 3. And Be It Further Enacted that this Act does not apply
 25 to any person elected to the office of County Executive prior to
 26 the effective date of this Act.

27 Section 4. And Be It Further Enacted that, subject to the
 28 provisions of Section 2 of this Act and for the sole purpose of
 29 providing for the referendum therein required, this Act shall take
 30 effect sixty (60) calendar days from the date it becomes law.

31 EFFECTIVE:

32 *The Secretary of the Council does hereby
 certify that fifteen (15) copies of this Bill
 are immediately available for distribution to
 the public and the press.*

Davis Poulsen, Secretary

BY THE COUNCIL

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Read the third time.

Passed LSD 88-23 (July 19, 1988)

Failed of Passage _____

By Order

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive
for his approval this 20th day of July, 1988
at 3:00 o'clock P.M.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

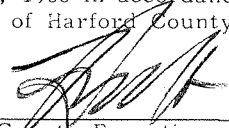
BY THE EXECUTIVE

APPROVED:

County Executive

Date _____

Bill No. 88-46 is hereby vetoed in toto this tenth
day of August, 1988 in accordance with Section 311
of the Charter of Harford County, Maryland.



County Executive

8-10-88

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill, having been disapproved by the Executive and having
failed of passage upon consideration by the Council, stands failed on
August 12, 1988.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary